In the specification:

On page 1, in line 3, change the heading "Related Art" to -- Background of the Invention --.

On page 1, amend the paragraph in lines 5 and 6 as follows:

The invention is based on a stator [according to the definition of the species in Claim 1].

On page 1, in line 16, change the heading "Advantages of the Invention" to -- Summary of the Invention --.

On page 1, amend the paragraph in lines 18 and 22 as follows:

In contrast, the stator according to the invention [having the characterizing features of Claim 1] has the advantage that a stator can be produced in simple fashion that makes smaller tolerances possible and has improved performance data, such as a higher slot fill factor of the excitation coils, less space required to install the motor, reduced stop torques, and higher torque, for example.

On page 1, cancel the paragraph in lines 24 and 25 in its entirety.

On page 2, in line 19, change the heading "Detailed Description of the Exemplary Embodiments" to -- Description of the Preferred Embodiments --.

Amended specification:

Amended paragraph on page 1 in lines 5-6:

The invention is based on a stator.

Amended paragraph on pages 1 in lines 18-22:

In contrast, the stator according to the invention has the advantage that a stator can be produced in simple fashion that makes smaller tolerances possible and has improved performance data, such as a higher slot fill factor of the excitation coils, less space required to install the motor, reduced stop torques, and higher torque, for example.